The example of the more intelligent classes may go a great way to induce the less initiated to follow their example. The subject will however be investigated.

(2) This is now recorded whenever it is paid before the Sub-Registar. To make a rule would seem to cause unnecessary hardship to the public as it is not always easy and safe for the parties to carry with them heavy sums to Registration offices from a distance. The matter will however be referred to the Inspector General.

(3) The system is in force in all District Registry offices, in all special Registry offices at District Head-quarters and at Anekal and Channapatna. The Government have asked the Inspector General to submit proposals at an early date for the further extension of the system. The precaution of taking photographs is not at present considered necessary.

Subject No. 28.

Prevention of using cows for ploughing purposes and of cruelty to animals.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao of Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that cruelty to animals may be prevented by ruling that no cow should be yoked to a plough and that no sickly or wounded pony be used to a carriage.

Reply of Government.—The employment of diseased ponies or other animals is punishable under Sec. 6 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulation, I of 1895, which is in force in District Head-quarters and certain other places; and can be extended elsewhere, if necessary, if applied for on sufficient grounds.

Subject No. 29.

Game hunting in connection with religious festivities to be exempted from the operation of Game Regulation.

Mr. A. Ramanna.

Summary of discussion.—It is customary for the villagers to go to jungle for hunting small game during the annual festivities celebrated in honor of the village deity. This has taken a religious aspect. They may be specially exempted from the operations of Game Regulations.

Reply of Government.—The customary rights of the people have been respected as far as possible by excluding from the scope of the provision in regard to licenses, the spearing, netting etc, of game. A circular will be issued calling attention to G. O. No. 9270—308 Legis. 57 dated 14th December 1901, publishing rules under the Game and Fish Regulation, II of 1901, but close season must be observed.

Subject No. 30.

Personal liability for the debt due.

Mr. Hedase Devara Sastri.

Summary of discussion.—The value of properties mortgaged as security for debt is always fluctuating. If in cases in which the mortgaged property is sold in satisfaction of the debt and a sum lower than the amount due is realized, the criditor generally proceeds against the person of the debtor. This is productive of hardship. It is therefore requested that orders may be passed making the properties mortgaged solely liable for the discharge of the debt.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done.